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RESPONSE

The following is submitted in response to the action mailed May 17, 2001. The date for response has been extended from July 17, 2001 to November 17, 2001 by the attached Petition for a Four Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and authorization to withdraw from deposit account 06-1050 the fee of \$1440.00 required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(4).

REMARKS

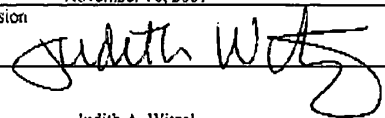
In paragraph 2 of the Office Action, the oath/declaration is objected to under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.66 and 1.68 because it had not been executed by the inventors.

In response this objection, a copy of the executed declaration is attached.

In view of the statement in paragraph 1 of the Office Action that claims 15-20, 22-34 and 38-41 are allowed, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance at the earliest possible date.

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